

EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST



	PWC	Boats < 16 feet	Boats 16 feet to < 26 feet	Boats 26 feet to < 40 feet	Boats 40 feet to < 65 feet
Boating Safety Education Certificate	✓ ₁	✓ ₁	✓ ₁	✓ ₁	✓ ₁
Certificate of Number or State Documentation	✓	✓ ₂	✓	✓	✓
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PFD's: Type I, II, III or V	✓ ₃	✓ ₃	✓ ₃	✓	✓
<i>PFD's: Type IV</i>			✓	✓	✓
<i>Type B-I Fire Extinguisher</i>	✓	✓	✓		
<i>Type B-II Fire Extinguisher</i>				✓ ₄	✓ ₅
<i>Ignition Safety Switch</i>	✓				
<i>Backfire Flame Arrestor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Ventilation System</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Muffler(inboard engines)-</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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<i>Horn, Whistle, or Bell</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓ ⁶	✓ ⁶
<i>Daytime Visual Distress Signal</i>			✓ ⁷	✓ ⁷	✓ ⁷
<i>Night Time Visual Distress Signal</i>	8	✓ ⁹	✓ ⁷	✓ ⁷	✓ ⁷
<i>Navigation Lights</i>	8	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Oil Pollution Placard</i>				✓ ¹⁰	✓ ¹⁰
<i>Garbage Placard</i>				✓ ¹¹	✓ ¹¹
<i>Marine Sanitation Device</i>			✓ ¹²	✓ ¹²	✓ ¹²
<i>Navigation Rules (inland only)</i>				✓ ¹³	✓ ¹³

1. Applicable if operator is born on or after July 1, 1972. Not applicable for non-motorized vessels (i.e., canoes, kayaks, etc.)
2. Except all non-motorized vessels.
3. Children under 13 years of age must wear a PFD while underway on a vessel under 21 feet in length. In addition, children under 4 years of age must have a PFD equipped with a grab strap, inflatable headrest and crotch strap.
4. Must carry one B-II or two B-1. A fixed system equals one B-1.
5. Must carry one B-II and one B-I or three B-1. A fixed system equals one B-1.
6. In addition to a whistle, must carry a bell with clapper (bell size not less than 7.9 inches – based on the diameter of the mouth).
7. One orange distress flag or one electric distress light – or – three hand-held or floating orange smoke signals and one electric distress light – or – three combination (day/night) red flares: hand-held, meteor or parachute type. Sailboats less than 26' in length that are not equipped with propulsion machinery are not required to carry daytime visual distress signals.
8. Not applicable because PWC cannot operate between sunset and sunrise.
9. One electric distress light or three combination (day/night) red flares.
10. Placard must be at least 5 by 8 inches, made of durable material. Must be placed in the machinery space or at the bilge station.
11. Placard must be at least 4 by 9 inches, made of durable material. Must be placed in a conspicuous place notifying all on board the discharge restrictions.
12. If installed toilet, vessel must have an operable MSD Type I, II, or III.
13. The operator of a vessel 39.4 feet or greater must have a copy of these rules on board.